

THE INTERIOR JOURNAL.

FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 1872.

FROM PINE HILL.

PINE HILL, Ky., June 26, 1872.
Correspondence *Interior Journal*.

NOTICE.
All contributions, either of an editorial or otherwise, should be addressed to THE INTERIOR JOURNAL, Frankfort, Ky.

All correspondence, as well as advertising, advertising, or job work sent to us in checks, post-office money orders, or express, or it will be sent to us by mail.

Advertisers who send us material at their expense, to contract for Job Work, Advertising, attend to their business themselves, and receive all money due them.

Mr. Cook, Franklin; E. B. McLean, Coal-Grocer, W. C. Gandy, Somersett; J. H. Bryant, Grocer-Supplier, J. R. Jones, Pine Hill.

LOCAL BREVIETIES.

To Friends.
Water is getting scarce in town.

The public wells are all in good order.

The jimson crop along our streets, is now ready for the sickle. Who will begin the harvest?

Our fighting editor has had hold of the sneak thief, who wrote us an anonymous letter from Hills Gap, he would "put a hand on him."

By title of Pine Hill, captured the large cattle snake ever seen in the mountains of Kentucky. So says our correspondent John.

"This advice we give you all,

We give it to you freely,
Let's wait great Oregon in November,
By shooting Geese Geoddy."

We received a communication from "Sunday School" in reference to the great Sunday school Convention held on Tuesday last, which will appear next week.

Adair Owsley wants to buy 10,000 bushels of wheat, and proposes to take what payment of accounts due him. He also requests that all persons indebted to him by account, will either pay cash or wheat, or come and close up by note. His advertisement will appear next week.

Notice.
Those of our advertisers who desire change made in their advertisements, must hand in copy on Monday morning next.

Religious.
Elder W. L. Williams will preach at the Chester church next Sunday at 11 o'clock A.M.

Rev. Morris Evans will preach at the M. E. Church, South, on next Sunday morning and evening.

A Snake.
A huge black snake climbed in the top of an apple tree in the suburbs of town the other day; and coiling himself around a limb, reached out his long forked young birds in a nest. A shot gun was fired at him and his head shattered.

Literary.
Those of our subscribers, (if any such there be), who are afraid to pay their subscription to this JOURNAL, but should suspend, may send their dues to date, and we will release them from any further responsibility, and drop them from our list without a tear.

Exercise.
We have over a "Handy" to some who have already paid their subscription. In all such cases, if he has done through mistake, to send us any excuse ours. It is not possible to vindicate this kind entirely, and when they do come you must excuse us for us, as we do not intend any wrong in the matter.

Professional Chieley.
We regret to announce that Prof. Cleary, the accomplished Principal of nat. Female College, leaves our town to-day to take up abode in a Western State. This is indeed a loss to our people, but a decided gain to those among whom he may cast his lot. We hope that the Professor, and his accomplished colleagues, may find warm and friendly friends in their new home in the great West.

Wonderful Reproduction.

Mr. John McRoberts, a Lincoln county farmer, brought into our office the other day, a single stalk of wheat which has 32 separate spikes from a single grain of wheat. Such a reproduction is wonderful, and shows how much might be realized from this cereal if the proper effects were made. This heads our friend, the Abolitionist, at Danville, by far.

Dogs.
Our town as like all other villages, has a hundred or more worthless dogs running at large, and when night comes, it is almost impossible to sleep, since the howls sent up by these useless canines. We are in favor of a town law directing their immediate extinction. The next thing we may hear is, that some one has been bitten by a mad dog. Shoot them down, if the owners will not keep them at home or muzzle them.

Stock Fair.

At a called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lincoln County Stock Association, held on Wednesday last, it was resolved that the premiums offered for the best buck and five of his colts, without regard to age, sex or color, shall be discontinued. We trust, if there has been any dissatisfaction among the stockholders on the subject of this ruling, that this procedure will be properly appreciated by the parties concerned, and that the action of the Directors will meet the approbation of all.

"Oh Ye Tears."

To those young men who are grieving over small parcels of precious freight which left our depot on yesterday morning, and who seek so home-long-ago—whose souls are overflowing with liquid lugubriousness—whose vest-pockets are uncontrollably agitated, and whose "opera" and "amarcos" boot-caps are overflowing with the swelling tide of lachrymal dead-sea-water, we respectfully suggest, in the language of our next President, "Young man, go West."

National Progress.

The Great American Institute announces its forty-first annual exhibition, to be opened in the city of New York, on the fourth of September next. Applications for space to exhibit the best agricultural production, mechanical inventions, artistic devices, and valuable articles of American manufacture, are now in order. It is intended to make this the most extensive, useful and meritorious exhibition ever held in America.

S. S. Lyon, Esq.

We see from the *Clarke Journal*, that Sidney S. Lyon, Esq., the great topographical engineer, died at his residence in Jeffersonville, Indiana, a few days ago. Mr. Lyon was one of the first civil engineers in our country, and ably assisted D. D. Owen in the geological survey of Kentucky. He leaves a wife and seven children, the eldest of whom married J.

W. Harris, Esq., and the youngest yet lives with his mother. Science has lost, in the death of Mr. Lyon, a valuable labourer in her unexplored fields. The scientific world could better spare a less useful and less devoted explorer.

FROM SOMERSET.

LEXINGTON, KY., June 26, 1872.
Correspondence *Interior Journal*.

We have endeavored to keep you posted in regard to current events at Pine Hill, but the food locality, in your last week's paper, which said, "Farmers in town last week." This time Pine Hill is a sufficient evidence that you are not well posted. We have often had six and eight pence per week hereabouts, and expect to materially increase the business hereafter.

It is becoming quite fashionable in Mt. Vernon to have "moonlight pic-nics." The last was a grand and splendid affair. About twenty of the young ladies and gentlemen took their baskets well replenished with the delicious viands, and ascended the tall and beautiful mountain, now celebrated as being the point selected by the Cincinnati astronomers in 1870, to view the total eclipse of the sun. This party was got up by an old teacher friend, and valiant lawyer, Mr. Charles Cortley, and the telegraph operator, Mr. G. N. Ray. On this occasion the moon was most magnificently grand, and beautiful, and the sunset sublime and picturesque; and everything passed off extremely lovely, and after a few very eloquent and appropriate remarks on "love and its allurements," by Mr. Ray, the party retired to their respective homes about 12 o'clock.

Some time ago we spoke of the capture of a large rattlesnake in Seville, and now we can speak of the capture of a larger one still by Dr. James Dillon, of Somersett. In preparing around through the forest for his health and pleasure (he is a gentleman of pleasure), he discovered the audible sound of the rattling of one of these venomous reptiles. He successfully fled in capturing this large and dangerous monster, and carried him triumphantly into Somersett alive. The snake possessed sixteen rattles and one button. It was about five feet long, and proportionately large, and is said to be unduly the largest rattlesnake of its species that has ever been captured, dead or alive, anywhere in this part of the mountains. The doctor caused his snakeskin, and was contemplating sending it to some of his fine rare friends for a put, but the idea occurred to him to have some fun, (he is an anti-slavery), before he unfastened his captive, consequently he unfastened his snakeskin, and prepared a large and well known tom cat for the occasion, and the snake being caught in complete striking order, tom, who was really a giant, having obtained a sack of meat from the mill of G. M. Sanjour in default of his usual diet, was sent to the field dead, having procured a repast for himself.

CONVENTION AT STANFORD.

A son of James Haste, residing about ten miles west of Somersett, aged four years, committed suicide on Friday evening last. Noises whatever can be assigned for the boy's desire to destroy his life. He ate his dinner and went to work at meal and being missed was found in the woods a short distance from the field dead, having procured a repast for himself.

CONVENTION AT STANFORD.

Our worthy citizen M. E. Ingram is using his utmost exertions to induce the visitors of the different preachers to come out on the day appointed to express their choice for a standard-leader in the approaching and all-important contest.

GONE TO JAIL.

John Hines, residing about eight miles west of Somersett, was arrested and brought before his honor Judge C. A. Zachary on Friday last charged with having obtained a sack of meat from the mill of G. M. Sanjour and in default of his usual diet, was sent to the field dead.

QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS:

I hear the question repeated asked why our county was not represented in the late convention held at Frankfort, and whether or not Paluski has a chairman of the Democratic county committee? The latter is easily answered. If we have one, we have no evidence of it. Let me suggest to the party the propriety of having one appointed who will work.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The work of the business-block is progressing rapidly.

WHEAT CRISPS.

We were never better in our county. Corn and oats look very promising and Irish potatoes can't be beat. A greater blessing than a good and abundant crop year cannot be bestowed upon our people.

COAL MINES.

Several enterprising firms have again commenced business at the old Cumberland mines in our county, which calls to memory the days of "Auld Lang Syne."

UNCLE JIM.

The Pine Hill D. V. hotel was in the city the other day possessing that same old gay and cheerful disposition and looking well. He says let the world wag—that Jim's paper was always at par, and since Jim has puffed him to the world it is worth a premium, and that his matrimonial prospects brighten up to a great extent.

He will be with us to-morrow the first heat before next.

BUSINESS.

Since the Louisville drummers have gone where the woodbine twines, the young men of Somersett have formed themselves into a whistling brigade, while many of the older ones, composed of doctors, lawyers, merchants and preachers, employ their time pitching horse shoes. The lousy society will not hold regular meetings until the President, uncle E., returns.

SOLD OUT.

Murphy & Woodcock have recently sold out their family grocery establishment to J. R. Griggs of this place.

ALERT.

Farmers' Don't Forget.

That on to-morrow, a week hence, the Farmer's Club will meet in the bank under our roof, for the purpose of exhibiting and discussing the relative qualities of wheat—the soil best adapted to the culture, the best practical mode of sowing, harvesting, and any other question incident to its culture;

The President of the Farmers' Club, us to request our farmers to bring in specimens of their crops in grain, head and stem, and leave them, properly labelled, at the office of the INTERIOR JOURNAL until the day of meeting. This will enable the committee of arrangements to arrange the various specimens to produce the best exhibition.

Capital Punishment.

Living in our jail, is a wounded man, condemned to death under a verdict and sentence of a court which tried and convicted him of the murder of a fellow-being. Fannin Young, a man about 45 years of age—with a family of five or six children and a wife who has said by him "through evil as well as good report," is now condemned to suffer the extreme penalty of the law, by hanging by the neck, until he is dead, on some day in September next. Here he lies, in his rock prison house—awaiting the dreadful day, when his soul will wing its flight to the maker of all.

It is right that all of our progressive, intelligent farmers will heed this call, and lend a helping hand to the good work of developing our highest resources as a grass and grain region. We have long been noted for our matchless grass. Why cannot we become better known as a cereal producer? Why is it that eight to twelve bushels of wheat make a fair average yield on such land as ours? Why, because we have not made the proper effort for improvement. Let us try to do better.

For our part we are, and shall ever be, opposed to capital punishment. It is a miserable relic of the dark and barbarous ages, and should find no advocates in this age of civilization.

Which is Best?

The question to be settled is to the culture of wheat, which variety, as a general rule, does best in our average soil. Some kinds require very rich land, while others will give an excellent yield on rather thin land. Our own opinion is, that more depends upon the manner of culture than the character of soil in which the grain is grown. For instance, a farmer who sows his wheat in October, following a crop of oats or rye, will not do so well, than one who sows it in a shoddy or thin soil.

It is right, in this day of advanced civilization, to take the life of a fellow creature as a forfeit for the life it is accused of having taken? Or would it be better and more just to imprison him for life, under the charge preferred against him? Let those who would be done by as they would wish others to do by them, decide!

Reunion of Veterans.

We have recently sent out a printed card, "Our Remained," to the men who have received no notice of the reorganization of the veterans of the Civil War, and who have not yet received their pay.

Farmers' Clubs.

In this day of progress and of advanced civilization, a county as rich in soil and in climate as this old county of Lincoln, is thought by those of many enterprises, to be far behind the age if there be no well organized, active Farmers' Club in it. We have not time, nor have we space here now, to discuss the absolute necessity of such societies to the people at large; nor do we doubt it essential to our purpose that we should do so.

In a community so intelligent and refined—so industrial and enterprising, the bare reference to the matter ought to, and probably will be, sufficient to spur them up to a full and faithful discharge of their duty to themselves and the community for whom they labor and toil.

Bread and meat, you almost always upon which man feeds, and wherewith he is clothed, comes either directly or indirectly, from the farmers' hands. How important, then, that you develop your resources to their very highest excellence.

THE LEXINGTON STATESMAN.

This excellent Republican Journal, weekly and semi-monthly, is now edited by Samuel E. Lyon, Esq., the great topographical engineer, died at his residence in Jeffersonville, Indiana, a few days ago. Mr. Lyon was one of the first civil engineers in our country, and ably assisted D. D. Owen in the geological survey of Kentucky. He leaves a wife and seven children, the eldest of whom married J.

W. Harris, Esq., and the youngest yet lives with his mother. Science has lost, in the death of Mr. Lyon, a valuable labourer in her unexplored fields. The scientific world could better spare a less useful and less devoted explorer.

FROM LANCASTER.

LEXINGTON, KY., June 26, 1872.
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The proceedings of the Democratic convention at Frankfort will be discussed in our county, however, we think the resolution of Prof. Duke a good one and as it expressed the feelings of a majority of the delegates present should have been endorsed by the body. Yet I suppose some of the feeble and timid Democrats who favored the neutrality, cast their votes "for safety's sake" again, many of these believing that old Duke could not offer a resolution unless prompted by a stupid, shrewd, treacherous. Some of these modern self-styled Democrats who favored the expatriation bill are now very much in favor of purity in our ranks, but as our delegates are instructed to vote on all questions, the house can not divide itself and the foreign conclusion now is that it must stand for Greeley and Brown.

None of the candidates for Congress were here. We suppose they have concluded that we are sufficiently bared. If the candidates could only get the voters to take the same interests in their election, that they do, what is coming time we would have!

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